## Abstract

The invention relates to a device for operating and a method for modifying an installation for effecting the, in particular continuous, treatment, preferably the cleaning, of a metal strip 2 by means of a treatment liquid, particularly a pickling liquid, the metal strip 2 being guided, preferably horizontally, through at least one tank 1 for accommodating the treatment liquid, particularly a pickling tank, with at least one pump circulation tank, preferably two pump circulation tanks 3, for preparing or storing and/or holding the treatment liquid. In this case, at least one pump circulation tank (3) is arranged directly under the tank 1 for accommodating a treatment liquid.

Figure 1